this chapter, has remained "well capitalized" for six (6) consecutive preceding quarters after applying the applicable RBNW requirement.

(b) Application for designation. A credit union that does not automatically qualify under paragraph (a) of this section may apply for a RegFlex designation, which may be granted in whole or in part upon notification by the appropriate Regional Director, provided the credit union has either:

(1) CAMEL. Received a composite CAMEL rating of "3" or better for the

preceding examination; or

(2) Net worth. Maintained a net worth classification of "well capitalized" under part 702 of this chapter for less than six (6) consecutive quarters or, if subject to an RBNW requirement under part 702 of this chapter, has remained "well capitalized" for less than six (6) consecutive preceding quarters after applying the applicable RBNW requirement.

§742.3 Loss and revocation of RegFlex designation.

- (a) Loss of authority. RegFlex authority is lost when a credit union that qualified automatically under the CAMEL and net worth criteria in §742.2(a) no longer meets either of those criteria. Once the authority is lost, the credit union may no longer claim the exemptions and authority set forth in §742.4.
- (b) Revocation of authority. The Regional Director may revoke a credit union's RegFlex authority under §742.2, in whole or in part, for substantive, documented safety and soundness reasons. When revoking RegFlex authority, the regional director must give written notice to the credit union stating the reasons for the revocation. The revocation is effective upon the credit union's receipt of notice from the Regional Director.
- (c) Appeal of revocation. A credit union has 60 days from the date of the regional director's determination to revoke RegFlex authority to appeal the action, in whole or in part, to NCUA's Supervisory Review Committee. The Regional Director's determination will remain in effect unless and until the Supervisory Review Committee issues a different determination. If the credit

union is dissatisfied with the decision of the Supervisory Review Committee, the credit union has 60 days from the date of the Committee's decision to appeal to the NCUA Board.

(d) Grandfathering of past actions. Any action duly taken in reliance upon RegFlex authority will not be affected or undone by subsequent loss or revocation of that authority. Any actions exercised after RegFlex authority is lost or revoked must comply with all applicable regulatory requirements and restrictions. Nothing in this part shall affect NCUA's authority to require a credit union to divest its investments or assets for substantive safety and soundness reasons.

§ 742.4 RegFlex Relief.

- (a) *Exemptions*. RegFlex credit unions are exempt from the following regulatory restrictions:
- (1) Charitable contributions. Section 701.25 of this chapter concerning charitable contributions;
- (2) Nonmember deposits. Section 701.32(b) and (c) of this chapter concerning the maximum amount of nonmember deposits a credit union can accept; and
- (3) Fixed assets. Section 701.36(a) of this chapter concerning the maximum amount of fixed assets a credit union can acquire;
- (4) *Member business loans.* Section 723.7(b) of this chapter concerning the personal liability and guarantee of principals for member business loans.
- (5) Discretionary control of investments. Section 703.5(b)(1)(ii) and (2) of this chapter concerning the maximum amount of investments over which discretionary control can be delegated;
- (6) "Stress testing" of investments. Section 703.12(c) of this chapter concerning "stress testing" of securities holdings to assess the impact of an extreme interest rate shift;
- (7) Zero-coupon securities. Section 703.16(b) of this chapter concerning the maximum maturity length of zero-coupon securities;
- (8) Borrowing repurchase transactions. Section 703.13(d)(3) of this chapter, concerning the maturity of investments a credit union purchases with the proceeds received in a borrowing repurchase transaction, provided the value